



Borough of Merchantville
New Jersey

FRANK M. NORTH
MAYOR
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March 4, 2011

Mayor Bernie Platt

Cherry Hill Township
820 Mercer Street
Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

Re: Resolution R11-39

Dear Mayor Platt:

Being forwarded herewith is a certified copy of Resolution R11-39 adopted by Merchantville's Council February 28, 2011.

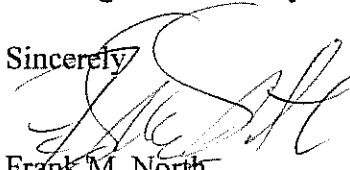
Resolution R11-39 rescinds Merchantville's Resolution R10-103 due to what appears as Cherry Hill Township's inability to form a Municipal Consolidation Study Commission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.

Should Cherry Hill Township elect to form a Study Commission and agree to file a joint application to the D.C.A. with the Merchantville's appointed Study Commission, this matter will be reintroduced to Council for approval.

Hoping the governing bodies of both municipalities may set aside our differences, allow this matter to move forward and let a voter referendum decide its fate.

Trusting to hear from you in the very near future

Sincerely,


Frank M. North
Mayor

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF
MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE
OF NEW JERSEY RELATIVE TO THE FORMATION OF A
MUNICIPAL CONSOLIDATION STUDY COMMISSION
WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL, PURSUANT
TO N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 ET SEQ.**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., provides for the procedure whereby the governing body of any municipality proposing to consolidate with one or more other municipalities may, by ordinance or resolution, propose the formation of a Municipal Consolidation Study Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, by Resolution No. 10-103, adopted September 27, 2010, sought the formation of a Municipal Consolidation Study Commission, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. with the Township of Cherry Hill; and

WHEREAS, despite the adoption of its Resolution No. 2010-8-19 on August 9, 2010, the Mayor and the Township Council of the Township of Cherry Hill has not taken the necessary steps to form a Municipal Consolidation Study Commission, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. with the Township of Cherry Hill; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that Resolution No. 10-103, adopted September 27, 2010, be and hereby is rescinded to the extent that it proposes the formation of a Municipal Consolidation Study Commission with the Township of Cherry Hill, to study the feasibility of a proposed consolidation of the Borough of Merchantville and the Township of Cherry Hill; pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Denise Brouse, Clerk of the Borough of Merchantville, shall forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Clerk of the Township of Cherry Hill and the Clerk of the County of Camden within five (5) days of the date of its adoption.

THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

BY: _____

FRANK M. NORTH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Denise Brouse

DENISE BROUSE, BOROUGH CLERK

I, **DENISE BROUSE**, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Merchantville, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by Borough Council at a meeting of said Borough Council on February 28, 2011, and that said Resolution passed by a majority vote of the members of Borough Council.



Denise Brouse

DENISE BROUSE, BOROUGH CLERK